GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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LPG DEALERS IN BIHAR
RAJO SINGH

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of L.P.G. dealers in Shekhpura and Lakhisarai districts of Bihar and the number of gas connections with each of them ;

(b) whether most of these dealers are blackmarketing cylinders on the pretext of shortage of L.P.G. ; (

(c) if so, whether the Union Government propose to take any steps in this regard ; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) : At present, there is only one LPG distributorship of Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) operating in Shekhpura District of Biha with a customer strength of 4300 as of 30.6.2001. Similarly, in Lakhisarai District, one distributorship of IOCL is operating with a customer strength of 8452 as of 30.6.2001

(b) to (d) : IOC has detected some irregularities including overcharging on refills in the functioning of M/s Poonam Enterprises, Lakhisarai during an inspection carried out on 11.7.2001 and action has been taken against the distributor in accordance with Marketing Discipline Guidelines, 2001.